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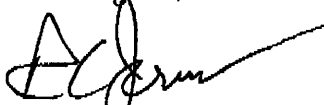
Re: Professional Rules of Conduct, Rule 8.4(g)

Honorable Members of the Court,

Here is my comment on the above mentioned proposed new Rule 8.4(g) of Professional Rules of Conduct for Montana Attorneys. As a concerned citizen, I request that you reject this rule because it violates both one's freedom of speech and freedom of religion rights. Further, not so many years past, all Montanans voted on the definition of marriage and the overwhelming majority of us specifically supported the position that marriage is between one man and one woman. To my knowledge, the laws of the State of Montana have not specifically changed that definition. Things have transpired which could be twisted to call the above definition as discriminatory based upon one's sexual orientation. However, if the people really want to impose the minority view as rule of law, then why should murder be illegal? After all, to say that murder is illegal is to impose your morals upon me, and, according to today's popular concept, one has no right to impose one's morals upon another. Somehow when you carry this argument to its logical destination, it doesn't hold up.

As the Supreme Court of the State of Montana, you have a constitution to interpret. I pray you will continually refer back to that document as your foundation and not be swayed by whatever is the current popular opinion according to the press.

Best Regards,


Roy C. Jones